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MANPOWER COOPERATION AMONG GULF STATES

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1. ACCORDING TO DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOR AL-FAYEZ, NEITHER
QATARI LABOR MINISTER ANSARI NOR BAHRAINI DIRECTOR OF LABOR
KHALFAN HAVE DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH SAUDIS. AL-FAYEZ AND
HIS DEPUTY IN THE MANPOWER AREA, MOHAMMED O'HALY, HAD
ONLY RATHER VAGUE NOTIONS ABOUT MANPOWER COOPERATION IN
THE GULF. THEY EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE, BUT
OTHER THAN CONFERENCES (SUCH AS MANAMA AND BAGHDAD) WHICH
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HAVE ALREADY TAKEN PLACE, HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF OTHER

INITIATIVES.

2. SAUDIS ARE SURE TO BE FAR AND AWAY THE LARGEST SINGLE GULF IMPORTER OF FOREIGN LABOR IN THE NEXT FIVE TO TEN YEARS. THEY MAY ALSO FEEL THEMSELVES TO BE IN A DOMINANT POSITION, AND THUS NOT WORRY OVERLY ABOUT COOPERATION IN THE GULF.

3. AL-NADWA OF JAN. 17 ANNOUNCED THAT SAUDI ARABIA HAS JOINED THE ILO. THE EMBASSY IS SOMEWHAT SURPRISED THAT PREVIOUS REPORTS OF THIS ACTION HAVE ACTUALLY COME TRUE. THE PROBLEM OF TRADE UNION REPRESENTATION, IN A NATION WHERE UNIONS ARE ILLEGAL, SEEMED TO US QUITE SERIOUS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE A COMMENT FROM GENEVA.

4. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DISCUSS ILO OR ALO PARTICIPATION WITH THE NEW SAUDI MINISTER OF LABOR, BUT ARE ATTEMPTING TO DO SO. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT ANSARI INITIATIVE HAS BEEN MADE BUT HAS NOT REACHED LOWER LEVELS IN THE SAUDI BUREAUCRACY.
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